

Associated Costs with Becoming a Childminder in Bury

There are various costs and fees involved in becoming a Childminder. These include:

- Training costs
- Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check fee. Please see <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/disclosure-and-barring-service>
- OfSTED Registration fees. Please see: <https://www.gov.uk/register-childminder-childcare-provider/how-to-apply>
- Applicants must give their GP a Health Declaration form to complete and return to OfSTED. Some GP's charge patients for this service to cover admin costs. Applicants should check with their GP to find out how much this will be
- Public Liability Insurance. You must ensure you have bought this insurance and it is in place by the time you start to mind children. The Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years (PACEY) offer insurance however, childminders must be members to buy this. For full details of membership and insurance please visit PACEY** at: www.pacey.org.uk

Another company that specialises in Public Liability Insurance for childminders is Morton Michel** www.mortonmichel.com

- Costs of resources and equipment, including ICT equipment, as well as any repairs or work that needs doing to your house and/or garden to make it safe
- Supporting documentation including contracts, accident and incident forms, attendance sheets etc.

A Childcare Business Grant is available to encourage and support the starting up of new childcare businesses in England. For further information and relevant criteria please visit the website at: <https://www.gov.uk/business-finance-support/childcare-business-grants-england> or telephone 0844 2642546.

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